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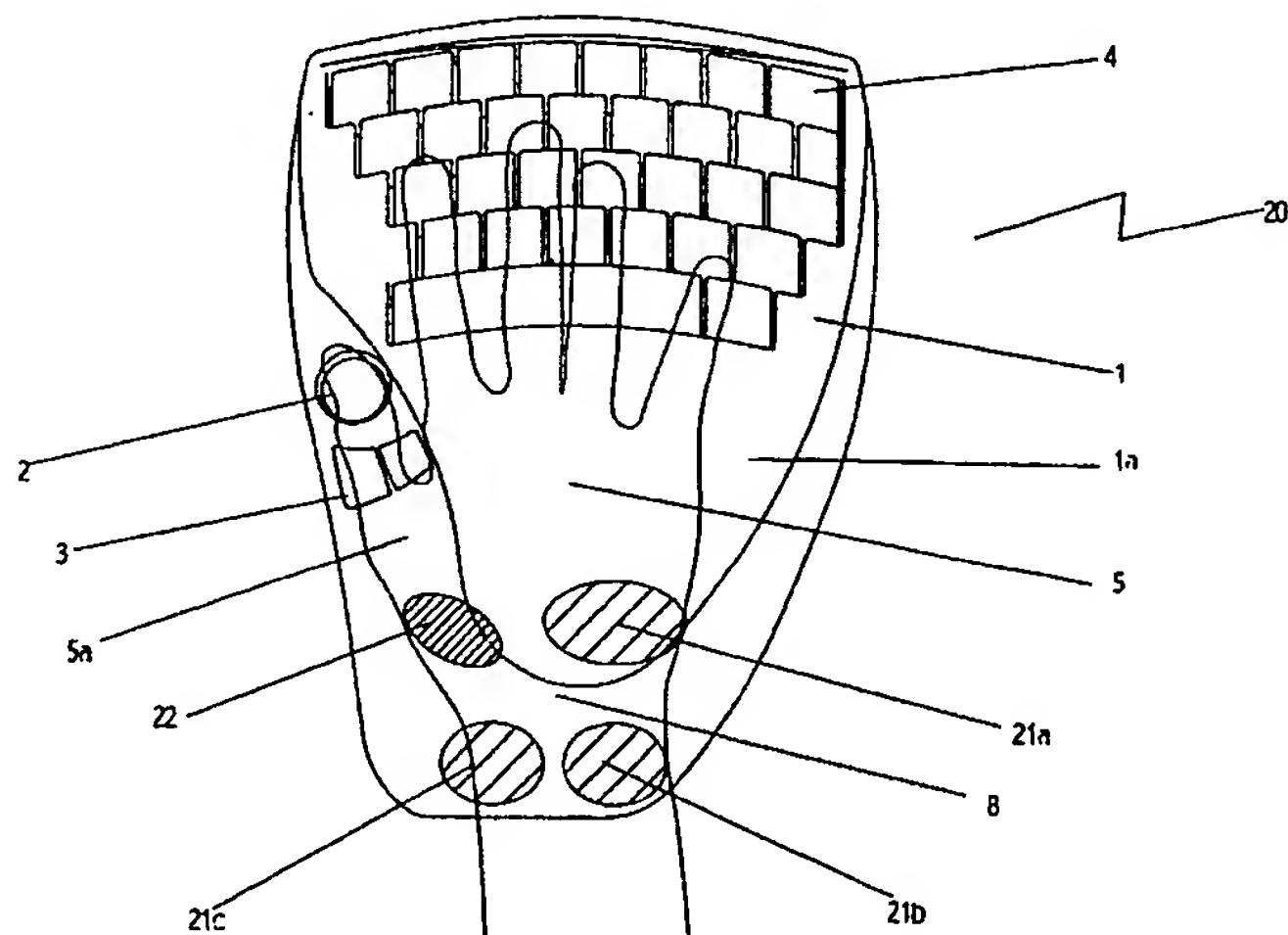
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(57) Abstract: An input device including a keypad (10, 20), the keypad (10, 20) comprising wrist support means (1a) and curved key area (1). The wrist support means (1a) of each keypad (10, 20) comprises a generally flat portion having a plurality of soft cushioned pads (19) protruding from the upper surface of the flat portion. The key area (1) is contiguous to the wrist support means (1a) such that the key area (1) has a negative convex curve. Thus in use a portion of the key area (1) remote the wrist support means (1a) is positioned at a lower spatial position than the portion of the key area (1) contiguous with the wrist support means (1a). The key area (1) has a plurality of keys (4) positioned on the upper surface. The keys (4) are arranged in a series of curved rows (A-A) so that a central key in each row is further from the users wrist relative to at least one of the end keys in each row.

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